



By the Lords Iustices and Councell.

Io. Borlase. Hen. Tichborne.



Having taken into our serious consideration, the present State and condition of this Kingdom, doe by this Our Proclamation in pursuance of an Act of Councell made at this Board bearing date 6 of June 1643. Publish and Declare for the reasons in the said Act of Councell contained, and for the raising of a Sum of money weekly, towards the maintenance of the Army for six Months next ensuing, & there be during the time aforesaid (if the necessities of the Army be not in the interim otherwise releevd) a rate & imposition set vpon the Particulars hereafter mentioned, in manner & forme hereafter expressed. to be duly paid vnto Thomas Leigh, Daniell Folter & Iohn Wogan, gentlemen. vpon whom we have for the present conferred the Office, of impost-masters or to such as shall be lawfully Authorized to be the impost-masters, & at the Office appointed to be kept at the House of Henry King in Castle-street for the Impost Office, by such persons & in such manner as hereafter is Declared, & that the Monies arising therevpon be weekly paid by the said impost-masters, vnto His Majestyes Vice-Treasurer & Treasurer at Warre, to be by Him issued towards the releefe of the Army, in such manner & forme as by us the Lords Iustices and Councell shall be directed.

The rate or imposition vpon Ale or Beere bought of the Brewer, to be retailed or brought from forraigne Countries into this Kingdome, & bought heere to be retailed, viz. Ale and Beere of sixteen shillings or eighteen shillings per Barrell, to pay eight Imposition per Barrell, and so rateably for other gages, and to be retailed at three pence per Quart, and no more.

Beere of eight shillings or ten shillings per Barrell, to pay five shillings Imposition per Barrell, and so rateably for other gages, and to be retailed at two pence per Quart, and no more.

Beere of five shillings or six shillings per Barrell, to pay three shillings Imposition per Barrell, and so rateably for other gages, and to be retailed at one penny per Quart, and no more.

The Rate or Imposition of Ale or Beere spent in any private House, whether the same be brewed by the persons themselves that spend it, or bought from the Brewers, or forraigne parts, viz.

Ale or Beere of sixteen shillings or eighteen shillings per Barrell, to pay foure shillings Imposition per Barrell, and so rateably for other gages.

Beere of eight shillings or ten shillings per Barrell, to pay two shillings Imposition per Barrell, and so rateably for other gages.

Beere of five shillings or six shillings per Barrell, to pay twelve pence Imposition per Barrell, and so rateably for other gages.

The Rate or Imposition of Ale or Beere to be retailed by them that brew it, viz. All manner of strong Ale or Beere to pay ten shillings Imposition per Barrell, and so rateably for other gages, and to be sold at three pence per Quart, and no more.

All ordinary Ale or Beere to pay three shillings foure pence Imposition per Barrell, and so rateably for other gages, to be sold at a penny per Quart, and no more.

The Rate or Imposition vpon Wines bought to be sold again by retaile, viz. All manner of French Wines rackt or unrackt, to pay six pounds Imposition per Tonne, accounting foure Hogheads to the Tonne, and all other smaller gages rateably, and to be retailed at eight pence per Quart, and no more.

All Wines of the Spanish growth rackt or unrackt, to pay six pound Imposition per Pipe or But, and all other smaller gages rateably, and to be retailed at one shilling foure pence per Quart, and no more.

The Rate or Imposition vpon Wines bought or brought into private Houses for their own uses, viz. All manner of French Wines rackt or unrackt, to pay three pound Imposition per Tonne, accounting foure Hogheads to the Tonne, and all other gages rateably.

All Wine of the Spanish growth rackt or unrackt, to pay three pound Imposition per Pipe or But, and all other smaller gages rateably.

The rate or imposition vpon Aquavita and all manner of Hot waters viz. Aquavita & all Hot waters bought or Sould to be retailed againe, to pay two shillings Imposition per Gallon.

Aquavita & all Hot waters bought or sould by or to any that shall not retaile the same againe to pay 12. pence imposition per gallon.

The rate or Imposition vpon Cattle Slatered to be sould viz.

All manner of Oxen, Bulls, Cowes, Steeres, and Bullocks, to pay 4. shillings le peece Imposition.

All Calves to pay two shillings le peece Imposition.

All Swine, above six weeks old & all Sheepe, and Goats, to pay twelve pence le peece Imposition.

All Lambs, & Kidds, to pay six pence le peece Imposition.

The rate & Imposition of Cattle, Slatered by any to Salt up for their owne vses, or to Eate or spend fresh in their owne Houses viz.

All manner of Oxen, Bulls, Cowes, Steeres and Bullocks, to pay two shillings le peece Imposition,

All Calves to pay 12. pence le peece Imposi. All Swine above 6. weeks old, & all Sheepe, & Goates to pay 6. pence le peece imposi.

All Lambs, and Kidds to pay three pence le peece Imposition.

1. And for the better performance: and due execution of all and singular the premises, we doe hereby in His Majestyes Name, strictly Charge and Command, that from and after the publishing of this Proclamation no manner of Person or Persons whatsoever, within Liberties or without doe Brew Ale or Beere, or distill Aquavita, or any Hot waters within the City or Suburbs of Dublin or six miles of the said City, untill such time as he, or they first enter his and their Names at the said Impost Office and there receive admittance to Brew Ale and Beere, or to distill Aquavita, and Hot waters vpon paine of Five pounds.

2. That every Brewer, of Ale, or Beere, and every Distiller of Aquaviva, and Hot Waters, from and after such admittance keepe an exact Account of the Quality, and Quantity of all the Beere, Ale, Aquaviva, and Hot Waters, he or they shall Brew or Distill, upon paine of Five Pounds, for every Breweing, or Distilling whereof he shall neglect to keepe such Account.

3. That no Brewer, Brew any other Sorts of Ale, or Beere, then Ale or Beere of 18. shillings, 16. shillings, 10. shillings 8. shillings, Six shillings, or Five shillings, the Barrell, by in the like payne of five pounds, for every time, he shall Brew any other sort of Ale, or Beere.

4. That no Brewer of Ale or Beere, doe dispose, Sell, or any waies suffer any Ale, or Beere to goe forth of his House other then such Ale or Beere, as he shall retails by the Gallon, or a lesser measure before the Impost thereof be paid, and a Billet for the Payment thereof, and of the true quality and quantity of the said Ale, or Beere, delivered him or his Clarke, out of the said Impost Office upon paine of 3. Pound, for every Barrell so delivered for the first Offence, and 6. Pounds, for every Barrell so delivered for the second Offence, and 10. Pounds, for every Barrell so delivered for the third Offence.

5. That no person or persons whatsoever receive or cause to be received into his or any other House any Beere, or Ale, untill such time as the impost thereof be paid, and a Billet obtained from the Impost Office of the true quality & quantity of the said Ale, and Beere, and for the payment of the Impost for the same Ale and Beere upon paine of three pound for every Barrell so received for the first offence, and six pounds a Barrell so received for the second offence, and ten pounds a Barrell so received for the third offence.

6. That every Brewer of Ale or Beere, that retails any Ale or Beere in his chiefe House, or any other House, doe within twenty foure houres after the Tunning of his Beere or Ale, enter or cause to be entered the full proportion, quality and quantity thereof in the said Impost-office, and there pay the Impost for the same, upon paine of 3. pound per barrell for the first offence, & six pounds per Barrell for the second offence, & ten pounds per Barrell for the third offence.

7 That all private House-keepers of what degree or quality soever they be, shall within thirtie foure houres after the Tunning of their Beere or Ale which they shall brew, enter, or cause to be entered the full proportion, quality, and quantity thereof in the said Impost-office, and pay the Impost for the same upon paine of thirty shillings for every Barrell so Tunned for the first offence, and fiftie shillings for every Barrell so Tunned for the second offence, and six pounds for every Barrell so Tunned for the third offence.

8 That no manner of person contray, or cause to be conveyed out of the Fortifications of Dublin, any Vault without Licence or Ticket from the said Impost-office, that the same shall be admitted to be conveyed to a place licensed for Breweing, or otherwise to pay ten shillings per Barrell Impost, for all the Vault that shall be so conveyed out of the said Fortifications upon paine of five pounds per Barrell for every default.

9 That every Buyer of any forraigne Beere imported into this Harboure, and Cellared, fetch his Ticket from the Impost-office, of the true quantity of the Beere so by him bought, and pay the Impost set upon the same, and if the Proprietor doe otherwise dispose thereof, he is to pay the Impost for the same, upon paine of forty shillings for every Barrell so disposed of.

10 That all Ale and Beere be tunned in Hogheads, Barrells, halfe Barrells and quarter Barrells, of thirty two gallons the Barrell, and no other proportions upon paine of forfeiture of the Ale and Beere that shall be tunned in any other vessels, and the same vessels to be knockt in peeces.

11 That all Brewers, Merchants, Retailers, and private House-keepers, and all others that have Beere, Ale or Wine in their Houses, Cellars, or Store-houses, doe within three dayes after the publishing of this Proclamation bring into the said Impost-office, a true note of the quantity, & quality of the Beere, Ale and Wines, they have in their Houses, Cellars, or Store-houses, and that they that intend to spend, or retails the same, pay for the same the Duty of the Impost set upon such Ale, Beere and Wines respectively, as are hereafter to be bought of the Merchant or Brewer upon paine of forty shillings for every Barrell of Ale or Beere, and so for other proportions after the same rate, and upon paine of five pounds for every Hoghead of French wines, and so rateably for all other gages, and upon paine of six shillings for every gallon of Spanish wine that shall not be so certified.

12 That all Brewers that doe not retails Beere or Ale shall be considered of by Commissioners in that behalfe, to be authorized for the Beere and Ale they spend in their own Houses according to the discretion of the said Commissioners.

13 That all Merchants and others that shall import any wines or Beere into this Harbor of Dublin, or within six miles of the same, doe before the Landing thereof, deliver a true note into the hands of the Impost-masters, of the quality, and quantity of the wines and Beere, he and they intend to land, and to land no more then he or they shall so certify upon paine of forfeiture of the wines and Beere so landed, and not certified.

14 That no Merchant or other Seller of wines or Beere by whole sale, dispose, sell or suffer to goe forth of his house, Cellar or Store-house any wines French or Spanish, or any Beere, before the Impost thereof be paid, and a billet or ticket thereof obtained from the said Impost-office, upon paine of ten pounds for every Hoghead of French wine, twelve shillings for every gallon of Spanish wine, and forty shillings for every Barrell of Beere so delivered without Ticket, and so rateably for greater or lesser quantities.

15 That no manner of persons receive or cause to be received into his or any other house any wines of what sort soever untill such time as the Impost thereof be paid, and a Ticket or Billet for the payment thereof obtained from the Impost-masters, upon paine of ten pounds for every Hoghead of French wine, and twelve shillings for every gallon of Spanish wine received without Ticket, and so rateably for greater or lesser quantities.

16 That no Merchant, Winner, or other, sell any Wine by whole sale, or retails, before such time as his name be entered in the said Impost-office, and there receive admittance for the same, upon paine of five pounds.

17 That all Merchants and others, that have, or shall have any wines to sell, and shall not retails the same, shall be rated, and considered of by the said Commissioners according to their discretions, both for the wines which shall be spent in their Houses, and the Lecage.

18 That all Winners and others that shall retails wines shall be in like manner considered of by the said Commissioners for their spending and Lecage wine, according to the discretions of the said Commissioners.

19 That no Distiller of Aquaviva or hot waters, or any other importing the same by Sea or Land, by way of Merchandize, doe sell or retails any Aquaviva or hot waters under the quantity of one whole gallon at a time, unless the Impost be first paid, and a Ticket thereof obtained from the Impost-office, upon paine of ten shillings for every gallon so sold.

20 That no Retailer or other doe buy the quantity of a gallon or more of any Aquavite or hot waters at any Distillers, or of any others, importing the same as aforeaid, and that sell the same, unless the Impost thereof be first paid, and a Ticket obtained from the Impost-masters for the payment thereof, upon paine of ten shillings for every gallon of Aquavite or hot waters so bought.

21 That all such persons as have Aquavite or hot waters in their houses, Cellars or Shops to sell, doe within three dayes after the publishing of this Proclamation, deliver into the Impost-office a true note of what quantity of Aquavite or hot waters, they have in their houses, Cellars or Shops, and pay the Duty of the Impost set upon Aquavite and hot waters, hereafter to be distilled, and sold upon paine of ten shillings for every gallon of Aquavite and hot waters that are in the said houses, Cellars or Shops, and not so certified.

22 That no manner of person whatsoever sell any Aquavite or hot waters by whole sale or retail, untill such time as his name be entered into the said Impost-office, and there receive admittance for the same upon paine of five pounds.

23 That all Butchers and others, that shall slaughter any kind or sort of Cattle before mentioned to sell, doe before he or they slaughter any beast, enter in the said Impost-office, the number and kinds of Cattle or beasts, that he or they intend to slaughter, and pay the Impost for the same, and obtaine a Ticket thereof from the Impost-office, upon paine of five pounds for every Oxe, Bull, Cow, Steere and Bullock, and upon paine of three pounds for every Calfe, and twenty shillings for every Sheepe, Swine, Goat, Lamb and Kid so slaughtered.

24 That no manner of person or persons whatsoever slaughter any of the said kinds of Cattle or beasts before mentioned, either to salt up for his own use, or to sell, or eat fresh in his own house, untill such time as the number and kinds of such Cattle or beasts, as he or they intend to Slaughter, be first entered into the said Impost-office, & the Impost set upon the same paid, & a Ticket thereof obtained from the said Impost-office, upon paine of five pounds for every Oxe, Bull, Cow, Steere and Bullock, and upon paine of three pounds for every Calfe and upon paine of twenty shillings, for every Sheepe, Swine, Goat, Lamb and Kid, so Slaughtered.

25 That all manner of persons, that shall kill, or Slaughter any of the kinds of Cattle, or Beasts, before mentioned, within this City, or Suburbs, of Dublin, or within six miles of the same, or that shall bring, or send, any of said kinds, of Cattle, or Beasts, into this City, or Suburbs, ready killed, to be sold, or salted by, doe before the sale, or Slaughtering of such Beasts, enter the number and kinds of the same, so to be sold or Slaughtered, in the said Impost-office, and pay impost for the same, after the same rate, as is hereby appointed to be paid, for Cattle Slaughtered by the Butcher, and obtaine a Ticket from the Impost-office for the same, upon paine of five pounds for every Oxe, Bull, Cow, Steere and Bullock, and upon paine of three pounds, for every Calfe, and upon paine of twenty shillings, for every Sheepe, Swine, Goat, Lamb and Kid, so Slaughtered or sold.

26 That all the paines, penalties, and forfeitures hereby imposed, or set upon such as shall offend in any of the before mentioned premises, be levied upon the goods and Chattels of the offenders, and to be paid to the said Impost-masters, and the one moiety thereof by them given to the informer, and the other to be paid to His Majesties Vice-Treasurer and Treasurer at Warre, to be by him issued out and accounted for, to the use of the Army in manner and forme aforeaid. And we require the Mayor and Sheriffs of the City of Dublin, to cause this Proclamation to be forthwith published and proclaimed, through our City and Suburbs of Dublin.

Given at His Majesties Castle of DUBLIN. the 24. day of June 1643.

R. Bolton. Canc.	La. Dublin.	Ormonde.	Roscomon.	Moore.	Edw. Brabazon.
Ant. Midenfis.	Cha Lambart.	Ad. Loftus.	Geo. Shurlev.	W. Parlons.	Gerrard Lowther.
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God save the King.

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